

Drinking Water on the 16th Floor

E-Mail Message to 16th Floor Residents on May 14, 2014

Mike,

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EPA@Work (EPA intranet) Please pass this information on to the other CORs and the contractors on the $16^{\mbox{th}}$ floor.

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<u>epa.gov</u> (EPA internet) The water fountain, the bathroom sinks, and the sink in the break room have been tested and have come back below the EPA MCL of 15 ug/L. Therefore, we consider those sources safe for staff to consume.

The refrigerator on 16 had tested high for lead in both the intake hose and in the ice. We have disconnected the refrigerator and disposed of all the ice in that refrigerator. There is no drinking water supply for that older model refrigerator, only the ice make.

We just today tested the 3 sinks in the Grab n Go kitchen and expect results from that by Friday. Staff should not be accessing that area for any reason and certainly not water. They should limit their sink water access to the break room area on the East side of the room.

The Maternal Wellness Center sink was also just sampled today so staff should not access that area for any reason and not for water.

If staff are concerned about water sources, I have been telling folks that to date, the water quality on the 20th floor is the best we have found. The fountains on the 20th floor are new and have secondary filters and testing has come back below detection levels for both fixtures. The break room sink and refrigerator on 20 have also come back as non-detect.

We will keep all staff and contractors informed of the test results as we receive them.

Let me know if you have any questions and please confirm when you have passed this information on to the occupants of 16.

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